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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
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EXAMINING GROUP 2880**

PATENT

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In re Application of:

VANNIASINKAM, Joseph et al.

Application No.: 10/028,419

Filed: December 21, 2001

For: GRATING BASED
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed April 20, 2007, the period for response to which extends through July 20, 2007, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicant proposes that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.